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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Thorp et al Serial No.: 10/008,233 Filed: November 6, 2001

Confirmation No.: 1504 Group Art Unit: 1634 Examiner: A. Chakrabarti

For: Electrochemical Detection of Nucleic Acid Hybridization

Date: November 1, 2002

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Attn: Office of Petitions Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)

Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Restriction Requirement mailed on April 11, 2002, which set a one month period for reply. The abandonment date of this application is October 11, 2002.

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was unintentional.

A reply to the above-noted Restriction Requirement in the form of an Amendment is enclosed herewith

The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$1280.00 for the petition fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m) and any additional fee, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be revived.

Respectfully Submitted,

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